

JUDGE OSBORNE DIES SUDDENLY AT HOME

WAS WELL KNOWN JURIST OF CHARLOTTE.

Considered Ablest Lawyer in the State 40 Years—Was Student of Judge Pearson.

A large number of Asheville people who were intimate friends and acquaintances of Judge Francis I. Osborne yesterday received the news of the death of one of the state's greatest lawyers with deep regret.

Judge Francis I. Osborne, one of the most prominent jurists in North Carolina and for many years a member of the Charlotte bar, died Tuesday morning at 9:15 at his home on Baldwin avenue, Charlotte, his sudden death coming as a great shock to his many friends.

The funeral services will be held at the home this morning at 11 o'clock, Rev. Dr. Albert Sidney Johnson, of the First Presbyterian church, officiating. Interment will follow in the family plot in Elmwood cemetery.

The death of Judge Osborne came as a distinct shock to the community, as he was on the streets in his usual health the day before. He had remarked to Mrs. Osborne a short time before his death that he did not sleep and was not feeling well, mentioning a pain in his chest. A few minutes later heavy breathing was heard in his room and before medical help could be secured he had passed away.

Judge Osborne was an inveterate reader and considered one of the best read men in the state, having read thousands of volumes of books during his life. He was adjudged by many to be the ablest lawyer in the state.

Judge Osborne was born in the old Mint building in Charlotte, May 29, 1853, his father, Judge James Walker Osborne, having been superintendent of the Mint for four years, having been appointed by President Millard Fillmore.

He was the descendant of a long line of prominent ancestors of Revolutionary fame on both sides of his family. He was one of four brothers, Robert, John, Francis and James W. Osborne.

Judge Osborne attended the Charlotte schools and was prepared for college by his cousin, Fred Moore, of Charlotte, entering the preparatory department of Davidson college. He later took the regular academic work and graduated in 1872.

He began the study of law under Judge Richmond Pearson, ex-justice of the supreme court, who conducted a famous law school at Richmond Hill, Yadkin county, remaining under the tutelage of this illustrious jurist for two years, at the end of which time he received his law license.

He began the practice of his profession in Charlotte and for many years was a law partner with the late W. C. Maxwell, in the firm of Osborne and Maxwell. For 40 years he was considered one of the ablest lawyers of the local bar and in the state.

At the age of 25 years, Judge Osborne was elected mayor of Charlotte, displayed marked executive ability, and four years later was elected solicitor of the sixth judicial district. In 1892 he was elected attorney general of North Carolina, serving four years and was unanimously endorsed for reelection, but was defeated by the combination of republicans and populists in 1896. He was elected to the state senate in 1896.

Judge Osborne did not hold public office after this until he was appointed by President Roosevelt as one of the judges of the United States Court of Land Claims, which position he held for three years, his duties taking him to Santa Fe, N. Mex., and Denver, Colo.

For many years he was general attorney for the Southern Power company, the Southern Public Utilities company and affiliated companies.

On November 13, 1878, Judge Osborne married Miss Mary Dewey, daughter of Thomas W. and Bessie Lay Dewey, and to them four children were born: Thomas Dewey Osborne, now a colonel in the army, stationed at Fort Sill, Okla.; Mrs. Mary Dewey Osborne Capron, wife of Lieut. Col. W. A. Capron, stationed at Washington, D. C.; James W. Osborne, Jr., a prominent lawyer of New York, and Mrs. Frances Osborne Holton, of Rochester, N. Y., all of whom, along with Mrs. Osborne, survive.

Judge Osborne was a member of the First Presbyterian church of Charlotte, the church to which his ancestors belonged from the time the church was organized.

EUROPE HAS A 'HOOVER'



GENERAL TASKER H. BLISS

Europe's most urgent need today is the pooling of its food supply and the establishment of proper distribution facilities under a director general, in the opinion of General Tasker A. Bliss, a member of the American peace delegation, who reached Washington from Paris. Such an arrangement, General Bliss said, would remove discontent, strengthen morale and aid over their formative period the new governments which have been created as a result of the war. Germany should be included in the economic coalition, General Bliss said. With Germany excluded, he declared, there would be an element of discontent which would inevitably react on the other countries. General Bliss saw no possibility of including Russia in the distribution plan.

CUMMINGS DENIES PLAN IS TO RAISE \$20,000,000

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Chairman Cummings of the democratic national committee today made public a letter to the editors of the New York Tribune, denying statements in that newspaper that the committee planned to raise a fund of \$20,000,000 for this year's presidential campaign.

"At no time and under no circumstances," said Mr. Cummings, "has the chairman of the democratic national committee or anyone else authorized to speak for the financial department of the committee, made any statement indicating that it was the purpose of the democratic national committee to raise a fund of \$20,000,000 for this year's presidential campaign. Such a fund could not be raised, and could not be properly used if raised. Our purposes have been plain and unmistakable. We seek only enough campaign contributions to enable us to conduct a legitimate campaign and to present our cause adequately to the people. It is very likely that effective campaign work will be more expensive this year than during any previous year in our political history. This will be due not only to the higher cost of printing, distribution and clerical assistance, but also because of the enormous increase in the voting population, growing out of the granting of suffrage to women. I see nothing improper in financing the campaign of a political party through popular subscriptions. Surely it is far better to attempt such work than through the contributions of a few."

REPORT CAPTURE OF MEXICAN AUTHORITIES IN THE TAMPECO DISTRICT

LINCOLN NEVER UNDERSTOOD HIS WIFE



WINIFRED HANLEY as Mrs. ABRAHAM LINCOLN

"When I was asked to play the rôle of Mrs. Lincoln in John Drinkwater's 'Abraham Lincoln' it was with fear that I approached the rôle," says Winifred Hanley, who is now appearing in that part at the Cort Theatre, New York city. "I realized that the American people worshipped Lincoln and that they did not care for Mrs. Lincoln. A careful study of her life and character has convinced me, however, that she was a much misunderstood woman. In my interpretation of her I am trying to give to the public the real Mary Todd Lincoln, the woman who was not only the wife of a great man, but who in many instances was the guiding power behind the life of the man himself." It is as no dictatorial virago that Miss Hanley has conceived Mrs. Lincoln. Rather has she pictured her as a pathetic, even tragic, figure—a woman who passionately loved her husband with a love which was never returned, and who ended her days amidst the mazes of an insanity which she brought on by the strain in which her life was spent.

SMALL WILL INTRODUCE A SUBSTITUTE MEASURE

Much Potest Aroused Over Cut in Rivers and Harbors Bill.

(Special to The Citizen.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Representative John H. Small, ranking democrat of the house rivers and harbors committee, served notice today that he would offer a substitute tomorrow for the annual appropriation bill, which was cut 70 per cent at the dictation of the republican steering committee. Many complaints at the parsimony reflected in the republican bill reached members today. The Mississippi Waterways association, protesting the cut as a nigardly one that can but do violence to commerce in the Mississippi valley. Mr. Small's bill will appropriate \$19,000,000 for specific purposes while the present measure is a lump sum appropriation of only \$7,000,000. The international joint commission of which former Governor R. B. Glenn, of Winston-Salem, is a member, and Whitehead Kluttz, of Salisbury, is secretary, will be discontinued at the end of the present fiscal year if the republican program goes through. President Wilson today sent to the senate the nomination of E. F. Aydtette, of Elizabeth City, to be United States attorney for the western district of North Carolina. Senator Iverman, member of the judiciary committee to which the nomination was referred expects confirmation within a week. The Hoover boom for president launched by the New York World today, did not stir the democrats here much. Most of them want a Simon Pure democrat and a majority are wary of Hoover's prohibition status.

GRIFFITH WINS FIGHT

PARIS, Jan. 21.—Johnny Griffith, an American welterweight, tonight knocked out "Bill" Glover, of London, in the third round of a bout here.

have reported the capture of the persons suspected of the murder of P. J. Rooney and Earl Bowles, American citizens, and of two probable accomplices, according to information furnished the American embassy at Mexico City by the Mexican foreign office in a note dated January 17.

REQUEST TO FORRES

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Jan. 21.—Cognizance was taken by the senate sub-committee investigating the Mexican situation today of the official effort that is being made by Mexico to prevent the taking of testimony when there was inserted in the record the Mexican consul's instructions from the foreign office. That was followed by a request to Henry Forres, who had just testified, to report to the committee any refusal by a Mexican consul to vise his passport. Two witnesses today, E. L. Turner and W. B. Hincley, testified concerning raids in the lower Rio Grande valley in 1915, said to have been conducted in accordance with the "plan for San Diego."

GRANTED PERMITS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—President Carranza has granted provisional permits to American petroleum producers to resume oil drilling, suspended in November, the American Association of Petroleum Producers in Mexico, announced tonight on the basis of advices from Mexico city.

PIEDMONT COLLEGE BUILDING BURNED

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HEAR ARGUMENTS IN CASE OF RADICALS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Arguments in test cases brought by attorneys for the communist party in behalf of four members of the party arrested in Chicago during the recent nationwide raids, were heard today by Secretary Wilson. The decision of the secretary, which was promised within the next two days, will determine whether general membership in the communist party brands an alien as a subject for deportation and will affect the cases of some 8,000 of those being detained as a result of the recent raids.

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INDUSTRIAL DAY of National Thrift WEEK

"Do Your Turn; Work and Earn"

Our language contains a few words that are superior to the dictionary. Their deeper meaning can neither be fully expressed or narrowly defined. Their meaning varies with the times and the circumstances. Such a word is honor. Another is patriotism. And the one that we would especially consider today is—democracy. We do not know what previously undiscovered meaning democracy may have five years hence. Two years ago, it meant "force to the utmost." Today, if we mistake not, democracy means Work and Thrift. Unlike its relation to Americans. It is a possession; not an ideal which we must shed blood to secure. Democracy is a fact in America—and facts fix stern laws!

Do we desire that wages remain high? Then let us maintain production upon an equivalent ratio. Do we wish to enjoy the greater benefit of high wages? Then let us be thrifty. Democracy is superior to the dictionary, we said. Let us add this: no man is superior to democracy!

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MRS. M. E. MARSH DIES OF WOUNDS

MACON, Ga., Jan. 21.—Mrs. M. E. Marsh died at 5 o'clock this afternoon from bullet wounds received yesterday when she and her daughter, Mrs. Martha Phillips, were shot while seated in an automobile. The charge of murder was placed against E. I. Smith, former soldier, who was arrested immediately after the shooting.

NOTE ON U. S. DEAD IS SENT TO FRANCE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—A note regarding the return of the bodies of American soldiers killed in the war has been sent to France, Chairman Porter, of the house foreign affairs committee, was advised today by Secretary Lansing. No announcement of the contents of the note will be made, Mr. Lansing said, until Ambassador Wallace has presented it to the French government.

GOES AFTER CASHIER

UNADILLA, Ga., Jan. 21.—Sheriff Judson Pennington and Vice President W. C. Griggs, of the Commercial bank of Unadilla, left today for Opal, Wyoming, to bring back Robert A. Collins, former cashier of the bank, who is under arrest. Collins disappeared last October, his books showing a shortage of \$27,000.

WAR-TIME RULE RESCINDED

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—War-time rules debaring enemy aliens from the waterfront were rescinded today and 500 Germans and Austrians joyfully sought their old jobs as longshoremen or workers on harbor craft. The department of justice gave them passes to the piers if there were no black marks against their records.

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